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For (Title):

IMAGE FORMING SYSTEM AND IMAGE FORMING METHOD

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| \boxtimes | formal drawings (Figs. 1A-14; 11 sheets) are attached. |
| \square | Use Figure for front page of Publication. Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith. |
| | This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No filed |
| | A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.) |
| \boxtimes | his patent application is assigned to Fuji Xerox Co., Ltd. |
| _ | The executed Assignment is filed herewith. |
| \boxtimes | In Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith. |
| | Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted. |
| \forall | A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith. Priority of foreign application No. 2002-248740 filed August 28, 2002 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119). |
| | A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith. |
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